GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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VISIT OF CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER TO INDIA
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Foreign Minister of China visited India recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the discussions held during his visit;and

(c) the reaction of the Government on the issues raised by him?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Yes.The Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of China,Mr. Yang Jiechi visited India from 7 to 9 September 2008.

(b) to (c) During his visit,the Foreign Minister of China held discussions with the External Affairs Minister on the full range of bilateral issues and reiterated the consensus reached during the visit of the Prime Minister of India to China in January 2008.The two Ministers also exchanged views on regional and international issues of mutual concern.The Foreign Minister of China called on Prime Minister.

During the visit,the Foreign Minister of China also inaugurated the new Chinese Consulate in Kolkata.